



STATE OF MICHIGAN

**Family
Independence
Agency**

Memorandum

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Field Operations Administration

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Training

To: **County Directors**
District Office Managers

Date: **August 30, 2004**

From: **Jim Nye, Deputy Director**
Field Operations Administration

Subject: **Training Opportunity**

Response Due: September 1, 2004

We are offering a unique training opportunity to each local/district office within FIA. An online training conference consisting of 22 ONE-HOUR Webinars (seminars) sponsored by Training in concert with the Office for Victims of Crime to be delivered at your local office using the internet (for visual) and telephone conference call (for the audio). This will be made available to your staff at no cost.

Training Title: Abuse and Disabilities Across the Lifespan

TOPICS: Interviewing, Investigation, Prosecution, Intervention, Treatment, Risk-Reduction, Research and Policy

PURPOSE: Improving the welfare of individuals with mental retardation and other developmental disabilities and their families.

Who should attend: All workers in the fields of abuse/victimization and or disabilities. Please feel free to invite your local partners to your site to share this training.

What: Seminars will concern casework and care giving where people with disabilities are victims of child abuse, domestic violence, dependent adult abuse, and elder abuse. Where possible each attendee should be present for each session.

When: Thursday, September 9 through Wednesday, September 29, 2004

How to register your office: Each local office training coordinator should e-mail Colleen Hickling. HicklingC2@michigan.gov by 9/1/04 with the following information; contact person, name, e-mail, phone number. The training coordinator will be notified via e-mail of the URL and phone number for Webinars. Each local office training coordinator will collect the names and e-mail addresses for attendee. At the time and date of each session:

1. Provide a conference room with hi-speed Internet connection, and capacity for projection of the internet content.
2. Make the room available for all the time slots of the Online Conference (schedule attached)

3. Provide an host moderator to serve as facilitator for the attendees, for Q&A, Pools, and Evaluation Forms.
4. Keep an attendance sheet for each session.

After the Webinars, send the attendance sheet to the Office of Training and Staff Development, Suite 1308, 235 S. Grand , Lansing 48913 Attention: Colleen Hickling

Benefit:

More than 22 hours of training
Faculty available to participants for nine additional hours of contact
On line resources provided for each workshop
All workshops will be archived for later
All materials will be available on line through August 2005
Access to training listservs and forums for mutual support and professional growth
CEU's are available for some professional staff.

Number and Status of Previous L-Letters Issued on the Same Subject: None

Contact Office: Family Independence Agency – Office of Training & Support

Telephone Number of Contact: 335-5597

Distribution: Central Office /Local and District Offices

Obsolete Date: 9/30/04

cc: Executive Staff
Zone Managers

Attached: Schedule

Schedule: September 9-29, 2004. All times are **Eastern** Standard Time

| Week One | | September 9-10, 2004 | | | |
|----------|--|----------------------|--|---|--|
| Date | | | | Thursday Sept 9 | Friday Sept 10 |
| Time | | | | 1 PM (EST) | 1 PM (EST) |
| Topic | | | | What Attitudes, Skills and Knowledge are the Keys to Making a Difference? | Assistive Technology & Victims with Disabilities: What you need to know! |

| Week Two | | September 13-17, 2004 | | | |
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| Date | Monday Sept 13 | Tuesday Sept 14 | Wednesday Sept 15 | Thursday Sept 16 | Friday Sept 17 |
| Time | 1 PM (EST) | | 1 PM (EST) | 1 PM (EST) | 1 PM (EST) |
| Topic | Research Update on Children & Adults with Disabilities | | Communication Strategies for Community-Based Risk Reduction | Multifactorial Model of Violence Against People with Disabilities | Domestic Violence in later Life |
| Time | 2 PM (EST) | 2 PM (EST) | 2 PM (EST) | 2 PM (EST) | |
| | A Physician's Perspective: Responding to Abuse of children with disabilities | National Policy Update: Children with Disabilities | Basics on Abuse & Disability: The Law, Victim's Rights & Service Delivery | Developing Accessible DV Shelters for Abuse Survivors with Disabilities | |

| Week Three | | September 20-24, 2004 | | | |
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| Date | Monday Sept 20 | Tuesday Sept 21 | Wednesday Sept 22 | Thursday Sept 23 | Friday Sept 24 |
| Time | 1 PM (EST) | | 1 PM (EST) | 1 PM (EST) | 1 PM (EST) |
| Topic | Prosecuting Crimes Against People with Disabilities | | National Policy Update: Seniors & Adults with Disabilities | Undue Influence and the Exploitation of People with Disabilities | Interviewing Skills to use with Elders and Adults with Disabilities |
| Time | 2 PM (EST) | | | 2 PM (EST) | 2 PM (EST) |
| | Building Partnerships to Enhance Access to the Criminal Justice System for Crime Victims with Disabilities | | | Traumatic Brain Injury, Prostitution, and Sexual Abuse | Strategies for Effective Interaction & Interviewing Children |

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| Week Four | September 27-29, 2004 | | | | |
| Date | Monday Sept 27 | Tuesday Sept 28 | Wednesday Sept 29 | | |
| Time | 12 Noon | 1 PM (EST) | 1 PM (EST) | | |
| Topic | Treatment Strategies for Abuse Victims with Disabilities | Preventing Violence Against Women With Disabilities and Deaf Women | Medical Forensic Examination of Abuse Victims with Disabilities | | |
| Time | | 3 PM (EST) | 2 PM (EST) | | |
| Topic | | Deaf Women As Abuse Victims | Where Do we go from here? How to make this conference work for you. | | |

To register your office for this training: Please, send an E-Mail to HicklingC2@michigan.gov. In the body of the message include the name and e-mail address of the site organizer, and telephone number for the room that will be used for this Webinars.